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## SENATE COMMITTEES ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Tuesday March 11, 2008 2:45 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 414

In consideration of

## HB 2004 HD2 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY ON ENERGY EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIES.

Chairs Menor and English, Vice Chairs Hooser and Gabbard, and Members of the Senate Committees on Energy & Environment and Transportation and International Affairs.

## The High Technology Development Corporation supports the intent of HB 2004 HD2.

There have been many good ideas introduced this legislative session that support the State's energy goals. We note, however, that this appropriation was not included in the Executive's Supplemental Budget, and request that this appropriation not displace the priorities contained in that budget.

HTDC provided representation on the energy-efficiency transportation strategies working group and we acknowledge the need to continue these efforts to complete the study.

Finding ways to improve energy efficiency in the transportation sector provides a roadmap to reduce our consumption of petroleum, thereby contributing to the administration's recently established overall energy goal to decrease our use of imported petroleum to less than 30% by 2030.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 2004 HD2.